

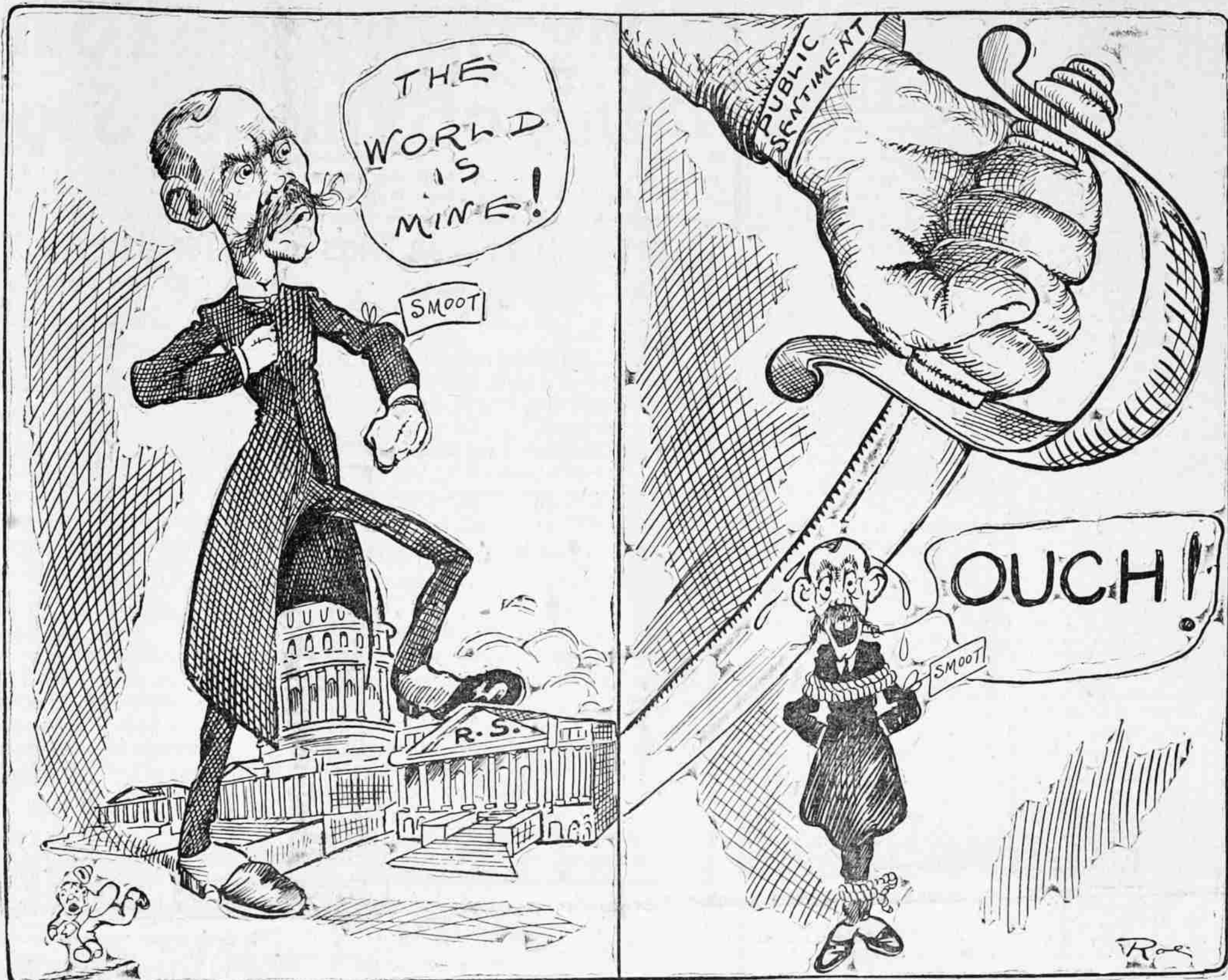
# The Salt Lake Tribune.

WEATHER TODAY—Cloudy, with rain or snow.

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THE SITUATION AS TO SENATOR SMOOT.



As The Desert News Tells It.

As It Really Is.

## President to Take Christmas Holiday

With Mrs. Roosevelt and the Children, Will Eschew Public Business and Enjoy Himself.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Roosevelt, so far as the exigencies of public business will permit, will rest thoroughly during the Christmas holidays. No engagements will be made for next week, except on matters of public interest.

The President will devote a large part of his time to out-of-door recreation, and with members of his family and personal friends will walk, drive and ride on horseback several hours each day.

Since Congress convened on December 5, the President has been under a heavy strain, mental and physical, for hours every day and night, have been spent in receiving callers with whom he discussed scores of important questions in the experience of the oldest White House attaché, no President ever received so many people in the same length of time as Mr. Roosevelt has received during the past month.

If the present plans are followed the regular meetings will be held as usual next week, but it is likely they will be of a routine character. Only business of pressing importance will be taken up by the President, who will save himself for the many weeks of hard and continuous labor of the winter and spring.

## New Association for Public Duty

Organization to Cause Investigation in Case of Neglect or Abuse of Law.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A society designed to promote the welfare of the people of New York and to engender a lively sense of civic obligation, regardless of political affiliation and social conditions, has just been organized under the name of The Association for Public Duty. It is patterned after societies with similar objects which have in recent years spread throughout France.

Nothing of the sort, say its founders, has ever before been attempted in America. They maintain that 50 per cent of the people of this country are practically helpless so far as concerns their ability to protect and advance their own individual interest and it is the proportion of the community which the association aims to assist.

The association will establish headquarters where lawyers and other literate persons who that jurisdiction, was today set aside by the Appellate division of the Supreme court. Miss Mount died on October 3, 1890. Susan Mount, the executrix, took exception to the bequest, and in special term of the Supreme court it was declared to be invalid. The Appellate division takes a similar view of the matter.

## New Year's Salt Lake "Tribune"

Expert advertisers and skilled writers have been working on the New Year's Tribune for some time, and that issue will occupy a large part of time of the editorial staff and the business office from now until the mammoth edition goes to press.

For this year's issue pains-taking care has been given to every detail, and the advertising, so far as accepted, exceeds that of any previous issue.

Patrons must see that their "copy" is in promptly, if they wish a place in the greatest edition ever issued by a Salt Lake newspaper.

Orders from new dealers should be filed at once. There will be no advance in price for the New Year number.

Date of New Year's issue will be Sunday, January 1, 1905.

## Oregon Congressmen Anxious to Testify

Deny Connection With Land Frauds, and Hope to Appear Before Portland Grand Jury.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 23.—Senator John H. Mitchell and Congressman Hermann arrived in this city tonight from Washington, D. C., to deny by their presence and by their testimony, if permitted to do so, the charge made in certain quarters connecting them with the land frauds in this State, which are being investigated by secret agents of the Government at the behest of President Roosevelt.

Prosecuting Attorney Henry for the Government requested the attendance of Mitchell and Hermann during the trial, which was concluded two weeks ago, but owing to the pressure of important Congressional business at Washington affecting the State of Oregon, neither could respond to the summons.

As soon as possible and with the Christmas adjournment of Congress close at hand, Mitchell and Hermann boarded the train for this city. It is their desire to be permitted to appear before the Federal grand jury, which is in session here, to explain various phases of land transactions in which they are involved.

Both vehemently deny any wrong-doing in the matter and hope to be permitted to appear before the grand jury. It has been reported that neither will be permitted to appear before the Federal grand jury, but a confirmation or denial of this report has not been obtained from those in authority.

Neither Mitchell or Hermann would make a statement tonight except to deny any wrongdoing. Neither of the Congressmen seems to know the exact nature of the charges against them and until further enlightened on the subject will decline to discuss the matter in the newspapers.

## Ocean Liners Still Detained by Fog

Longest Delay of This Kind Within Recollection at the English Seaports.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The fog in London virtually disappeared this afternoon before a western breeze. Reports from the coast show a continuance of the dislocation of traffic.

According to a telegram from Liverpool at 10 o'clock this morning, the White Star liner Oceanic and Cedric were still fog-bound in the Mersey.

The vessel said to be the Hamburg-American liner Pretoria, reported last night with others as fog-bound in the Mersey, was not the Pretoria, but was the Allan line steamship Pretoria, bound from Liverpool for St. John, N. B. The Pretoria, having Dr. Chadwick of Cleveland, O., and his daughter among her passengers, was last reported leaving Liverpool, Sur-Mer, December 18, for New York and is due at the latter port December 23 or 24.

The White Star line steamship Oceanic from New York December 14, the White Star line steamship Cedric, which sailed from Liverpool December 21 for New York and the Cunard liner Saxonia, from Boston, December 15, were still fog-bound at 4 p. m. in the Mersey.

It is considered that there is little prospect of the Oceanic or Saxonia landing their passengers at Liverpool tonight. This is the longest detention of ocean liners by a fog within recollection.

Late tonight various steamships are reported detained in the Mersey but the fog shows signs of clearing.

## LOUISE'S VISIT EXCITES SAXONY

Sudden Impulse to See Her Children.

No Other Excuse for Her Wild Journey to Dresden.

People Side With Erring Princess, but Newspapers Censure Breaking of Promise.

LEIPZIG, Saxony, Dec. 23.—Countess Montignoso, former Crown Princess Louise, is still here. Inquiries at the villa of Dr. Zehme, her counsel, brought an answer from the attorney's wife that the Countess was not yet in a condition to travel, the mental excitement of the last few days having told severely on her physical strength.

It seems that the Countess was overcome by a sudden impulse to see her children and left for Florence without informing her parents at Salzburg or anybody in Saxony. Dr. Zehme's first intimation of her arrival was when the listing card of the Countess was handed in at the door of his villa. He tried vainly to dissuade her from going to Dresden, pointing out the impossibility of seeing her children, but the lawyer went with her when he saw further argument was useless.

Police Chief With Her.

The Countess was accompanied from Dresden to Leipzig by Chief of Police Dreschman, who was met at the railroad station here by a high police official of Leipzig. The Countess made the impression on the crowds at the station that she was suffering from deep despondency.

During her trip from Florence to Leipzig she was so excited that she was unable to eat and only drank two cups of coffee. It is firmly denied here that the Saxony Government has issued an order for the expulsion of the Countess from Saxony. Much excitement prevails over an expression which the Countess is said to have let drop.

She is reported to have said: "I love my Saxon land. I am coming back soon." This utterance supposedly refers to a conditional promise given to the Countess by the King's representative at her hotel here. It is credibly asserted that the King's representative told her that she might hope to see her children later after the excitement in the kingdom had further subsided and the children had July been prepared beforehand for her visit.

Newspapers Criticize Her.

The Dresden Journal says the Countess purposeful seeing the King as well as her children, and that the King's representative informed her that a meeting was impracticable.

The semi-official Dresden Anzeiger today adopted an icy tone toward the Countess Montignoso in discussing her attempt to see her children. The paper says her conduct with the Countess should have given the Countess to understand that her wish to see them could not be granted and that her former behavior and avoid doing anything to disturb public opinion at the Saxon capital, adding: "She has done enough to cause the King of Saxony enough and has caused enough ugly confusion in many heads. Let her now prove that she is not inaccessible to better purposes."

It is rumored that the Countess Montignoso departed for Frankfurt-on-the-Main, en route to Brussels tonight.

FORFEITS HER ALLOWANCE.

Princess Louise May Lose Income of \$7500 a Year.

DRESDEN, Dec. 23.—Countess Montignoso, formerly the Crown Princess Louise and divorced wife of King Frederick Augustus, by coming to Dresden and trying to see her children yesterday has probably forfeited her allowance of \$7500, one of the conditions of which was that she should not set foot on German soil. This condition, however, may not be enforced, as popular sympathy with the Countess is so strong already that the court will avoid anything giving the impression of punishing her for her natural womanly feelings.

The version of the Countess' misadventure commonly believed in the kingdom of Saxony is that she is guilty of actual wrong-doing and is the victim of an intrigue of the Center party, which is described as using unscrupulous means to prevent a strong Liberal from becoming Queen. The circumstances of the Countess' leaving the court are so overlaid with fiction that the truth probably will be unknown to the present generation of Saxons.

MISS RUSSELL BETTER.

Lillian Russell Starts for Denver to Her Daughter's Bedside.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 23.—The condition of Miss Dorothy Russell, the actress, who is ill at St. Luke's hospital at bronchial pneumonia, is somewhat improved tonight. Word was received today that her mother, Lillian Russell, had started for Denver to be at the bedside of her stricken daughter.

Funeral of Pioneer Gleason.

The funeral of John S. Gleason will take place in Clark's hall Christmas day in Pleasant Grove and a large number of friends of the well known pioneer will attend. He was one of the fifteen survivors of the band entering and settling this valley July 23-24, 1847.

Tribesmen Draw It for Pay.

TANGER, Dec. 23.—The tribesmen who surrounded Alcazar, demanding that the French Consul and an English resident be given up to them, have withdrawn for a consideration of \$500.

## MONSTER MOUNTAIN LIONS.

Three in Cottonwood Canyon, One Whose Tracks Are Large as Horse's.

SPECIAL TO THE TRIBUNE.

RICHFIELD, Utah, Dec. 23.—Almon Robison, who was over from Fillmore a few days ago on mining business, reports that in coming down through Cottonwood canyon he saw the tracks of three mountain lions. One of them must have been an unusually large creature, for its tracks were as large as those of a horse. These tracks had been made in two days since the last fall of snow.

A young wildcat which was captured alive in the hills near this city has been shipped to Parley Jensen in Salt Lake. It was about two-thirds grown and a lively and vicious animal.

Cut Price of Granulated Sugar.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—The four large jobbing firms that have withdrawn from the compact with the Pacific Traffic and Commercial association and the local sugar refineries have cut the price of granulated sugar to 5 1/2 cents per pound, which is a quarter of a cent below the net price charged by the refineries in this market, which have not yet met the reduction.

## UTAH LOSES BEQUEST.

One for \$25,000 Made for Protestant Episcopal Church Here Set Aside.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A bequest of \$25,000, made by Maria B. Mount to Bishop Tuttle of Utah, for the purpose of establishing a trust fund to build a Protestant Episcopal church and rectory within the bounds of that jurisdiction, was today set aside by the Appellate division of the Supreme court. Miss Mount died on October 3, 1890. Susan Mount, the executrix, took exception to the bequest, and in special term of the Supreme court it was declared to be invalid. The Appellate division takes a similar view of the matter.

Surplus and Capital Wiped Out.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—F. D. Kilburn, State Superintendent of Banks, has given out a further statement of the condition of the suspended German bank. It shows that the surplus and capital stock of the bank were wiped out, the deficit being \$781,646.

Stranded Ship Saved.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 23.—The United Fruit company's steamship Admiral Dewey, which stranded Wednesday night at the entrance of Port Morant, Jamaica, was pulled off the reef today by a wrecking tug.

Candidate for Minnesota Senatorship.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 23.—Governor Van Sant, in an interview today, announced his candidacy for the senatorship as a successor to Senator Clapp.

## SALT LAKE IN CIRCUIT.

City of Saints to Have an Opportunity to See Horse Show.

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MILWAUKEE, Dec. 23.—A horse show circuit which will include all of the large cities from the Pacific to the Atlantic coast, has been formed by Dr. Dearmo Gray of Kansas City. The details were first announced here today and the circuit will open early next month at San Francisco.

The promoters have a string of fancy horses which will be exhibited at each show and the circuit will be a steady series from the Pacific coast to the East, reaching Milwaukee in July and the Atlantic coast late in August. It is planned to make this circuit an annual affair. The cities included are Denver, Los Angeles, Salt Lake, Seattle, Butte, Helena, Cleveland, Indianapolis, Buffalo and eight other cities.

Spanish-American Treaty Signed.

MADRID, Dec. 23.—The ministerial council has signed the Spanish-American arbitration treaty.

## MISS FAIRBANKS HURT.

Niece of Vice-President-Elect May Lose an Eye.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 23.—On account of a remarkable accident, Miss Jennie Fairbanks of Mansfield, a niece of Vice-President-elect Fairbanks, was brought to a hospital here today. While putting on her hat with a hat pin in one hand, a friend accidentally jabbed Miss Fairbanks' arm, as a result of which the pin was buried in Miss Fairbanks' eye. Her sight may be saved.

## SILVER BOW MUDDLE.

Breen Having Difficult Time to Get Coveted District Judgeship.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 23.—The Supreme court today overruled the demurrer to the petitions in the cases of the State at the relation of Peter Breen against Gov. Toole, and the state at the relation of F. E. Stranahan against the State Board of Canvassers. In each case the Governor and the canvassing board were given five days in which to answer.

Breen, who is the defeated candidate for judges of the Judicialists, or the so-called Helms party, brought the action to compel the Governor to issue a certificate of election as Judges of the District court of Silver Bow county.

Breen maintains that Judge John B. McClellan's seat is vacant and by the reason of his having received the third number of votes he is entitled to the seat, though the election proclamation did not call for the election of a third judge. Stranahan's case is similar.

Smooth Craft Worked.

SPECIAL TO THE TRIBUNE.

AMERICAN FORK, Utah, Dec. 23.—A sharper came here yesterday presumably to tune organs and pianos. He secured a contract at the home of Mrs. V. S. Robinson and was advanced \$5 with which to purchase some repairs. He did not return to complete his work nor to turn over the change.